# ADULT 101: CAREER PLANNING

Workplace Readiness





#### Goals

Today we'll talk about:

- Writing a resumé
- Starting the job search
- Nailing the interview
- Planning for the future





## Help! I Need a Resumé





### **Upgrade Your Education Section**

Show your strengths and work ethics.

#### Include:

- GPA (if above 3.0)
- Clubs you participated in
- Athletics
- Academic Awards/Honors
- Relevant coursework
- Publications





### **Expand Your Experience**

"Work" experience does NOT only come from work! Is this your first resumé? Focus on the following:

- Extracurricular activities like high school clubs or athletics
- Any volunteer experience.
- Informal work.



### Polish Up Your Skills

This is your chance to highlight any skills relevant to the job posting.

- Good with tech? List your computer skills with the specific programs you can use.
- **Special skills.** Are you bilingual? Know sign language? CPR certified? These are desirable skills for employers.



### Details, Details

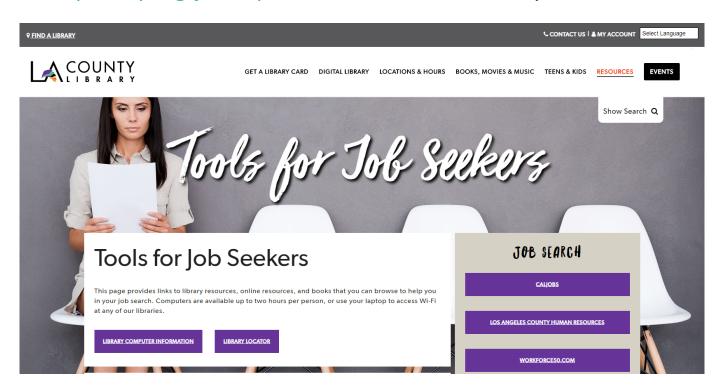
Help yourself look professional by keeping these tips in mind:

- Contact information
  - Email: CuTie45594@aol.com vs. johnsmith@yahoo.com
  - Reachable phone number
- Social Media
- Proofread!



### But Wait, There's More!

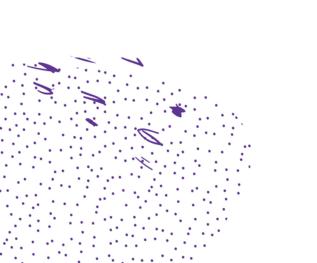
Visit lacountylibrary.org/jobhelp for online resources, library resources, and books!







# Let the Job Hunt Begin!







# **Apply Yourself**

Consider each job separately. This will help you stay organized and tailor your resumé to each employer's hiring needs.

- Online searching
- Regular/Seasonal help at local shops
- Store job information in a folder



### **Job Sites for Teens**

- <u>SnagAJob</u>: Thousands of part-time and hourly jobs across the country for teens and high school students.
- Groove Job: Search for part-time jobs, student jobs, and teen jobs.
- <u>CoolWorks</u>: Jobs, careers, and volunteering in the outdoors.
- <u>Hispanic-Jobs.com</u>: Bilingual jobs for English/Spanish-speaking job seekers. Login required.
- <u>EDD.gov Services for youth</u>: Information on numerous training programs, work experience, leadership development and occupational skills building available to youth 14-21.

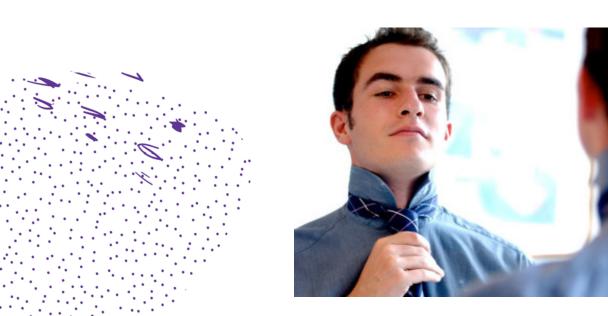
### **Professional References**

Some employers will request references. Here are some helpful hints:

- ALWAYS ASK
- Refer to an adult
- Let them know each time you give out their contact
- Thank your references
- If you aren't 100% positive the person will say positive comments about you, do not list them as a reference.



# Nailing the Interview





### **Interview Tips**

Yay! You were called in for an interview. Give yourself the best chance for success with these do's and don'ts:

- Be on time.
- Dress neatly.
- Don't wear strong scents.
- Bring a positive attitude.



### What Not to Wear on an Interview













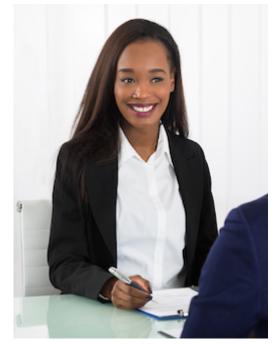






## What To Wear To An Interview?













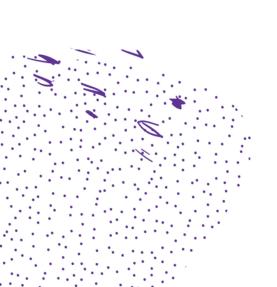
















### Starting to Think About the Future

A first job is a chance to earn some money, gain some experience, and learn about your skills and interests.

#### Career planning is a cycle:

- Knowing yourself
- Exploring possibilities
- Making a choice
- Making it happen





#### Where Do You Go From Here?

Take a <u>career assessment</u> to identify some of possible career interests.







